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November 13, 2020

Paul Rahmlow Midwest Communications, Inc. 904 Grand Ave. Wausau, WI 54403

Re: Midwest Communications, Inc. (MCI)

WTAQ(AM), Green Bay, WI

Facility Identification Number: 42086 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20201029AAU

Dear Mr. Rahmlow:

This is in reference to the request filed on October 17, 2019. MCI requests a further extension of the STA granted on April 30, 2019, to continue operating with nighttime parameters at variance.¹ In support of the request, MCI states that additional time will be needed to finish the sampling system repairs.

Requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and MCI may continue to operate with nighttime DA parameters at variance and/or with reduced power to maintain monitor points within licensed tolerances (with no change to the licensed daytime operation). MCI must reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are

¹ WTAQ(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1360 kHz with 10 kW (day) and 5 kW (night) using different patterns.

received, and use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See 47* CFR §1.1310. MCI must submit an e-mail to my attention to note the date an FCC Form 302 application was filed to change any operating parameters, or to note the date the station resumed licensed operations per BL-20050509AEH (with negligible changes).

This authority expires on May 12, 2021.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: John Neely, Esq., MN PC (via email only)